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MEMORANDUM FOR:

DDI Planning Officer

ATTENTION:

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SUBJECT:

Request for Funds, FY 1975 and Beyond

- 1. In the past, the COMIREX has been able to accomplish funding of requisite contractual support for tasks not being initiated elsewhere in the intelligence community in the normal course of events by either having some organization undertake the project using its own funds or transferring funds from one organization to another with the capability to accomplish the task. As you are aware, the latter approach was used most recently in obtaining FY 1972 and FY 1973 funds for computer programming in support of implementation of the National Area Exploitation File (NAEF). Due to anticipated tighter budgetary constraints, however, the COMIREX is aware that funds for essential projects, such as the NAEF, may not be as readily available from such sources in the future.
- 2. While it is impossible at this time to delineate specific projects beginning in FY 1975, it should be acknowledged that requirements for contractual support have arisen in the past, particularly with respect to the data bases, data handling, and reports generation associated with managing, assessing the results of, and accounting for imagery systems collection and exploitation. In the future, as the interface between collection systems becomes more complex and sophisticated and a more quantitative approach to intelligence evaluation and system management gains importance, it should also be acknowledged that in all probability there will be additional needs, again particularly in the data base and quantitative analysis areas.

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3. In my judgment, it would be prudent, at this time, to earmark specifically minimum funds for these important applications. I recommend, therefore, that \$200,000 be identified each fiscal year, beginning in FY 1975, for use by COMIREX for contractual support.

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